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GREENBELT, MARYLAND

FIVE CENTS

NO QUORUM PREVENTS ASSOCIATION BUSINESS

The latest meeting of the Citizens' Association was held Monday, April 1, with a conspicuous lack of the quorum of 75 stipulated in the revised by-laws approved at the March meeting. Mr. James Smith, Chairman of the Ways and Means Committee, presented its report on the problem of drinking at Greenbelt dances, and the question was turned over to Mr. Tom Freeman for further investigation at Upper Marlboro as to the status of our Community Building after school hours. A report on the use of fliers for announcing meetings of the Citizens' Association was requested from the Public Relations Committee, a new committee set up by the by-laws, to which the question had been referred, whereupon it developed that said committee had not yet been appointed.

At this point Howard Custer took the administration to task for neglecting its responsibilities in regard to this duty and the progress of the Citizens' Association as a whole. Mr. Bargas commented on the difficulty of securing responsible persons to serve on Association committees.

No new business could be passed upon because of lack of a quorum, so the evening continued with the planned program.

The Hospital Auxiliary presented a skit in which Lucile Cooper as a stranger patient in the Greenbelt Hospital received as a caller Betsy Woodman of the Greenbelt Hospital Auxiliary. Mrs. Woodman outlined to her the activities of the Auxiliary, its provision of some materials for the hospital, and the various means it employs to make money for hospital use. Miss Elizabeth Yuretich acted as the nurse.

Mr. Eugene Henderson, Chairman of the Education Committee of the Greenbelt Health Association, gave a talk in which he emphasized in general the close alliance of all cooperatives, and specifically the advantages of preventive medicine and the benefits of medical cooperatives.

The final event of the evening was a "bang-up" demonstration by the Gun Club of procedure at the rifle range, in which members of the club participated. The project was introduced by Harry Bates and Lyman Woodman, who emphasized the purpose of the club which is to teach people how to handle a gun safely and definitely involves no military ideas. Granville T. Marts acted as Range Officer.

G.C.S. BOARD PREPARES FOR MONTHLY MEETING

Digging its way out of a mass of preliminary work, the board of directors of the Greenbelt Consumer Services, Inc., by holding special meetings in addition to the regular semi-monthly meetings, is gradually approaching a point where it can take final action on the policies and organizational set-up and duties of officers. These matters, on the agenda for action within a short time, will very nearly conclude this schedule of details.

Board procedure was disposed of at the March 27 special meeting. At the same time, the directors decided to refer to the membership the question of advertising in the Cooperator with the recommendation that \$40 be spent weekly for space in the paper, \$25 to be charged to advertising expense and \$15 to educational expense. The membership will receive the board's recommendation at the stockholders' meeting on May 1.

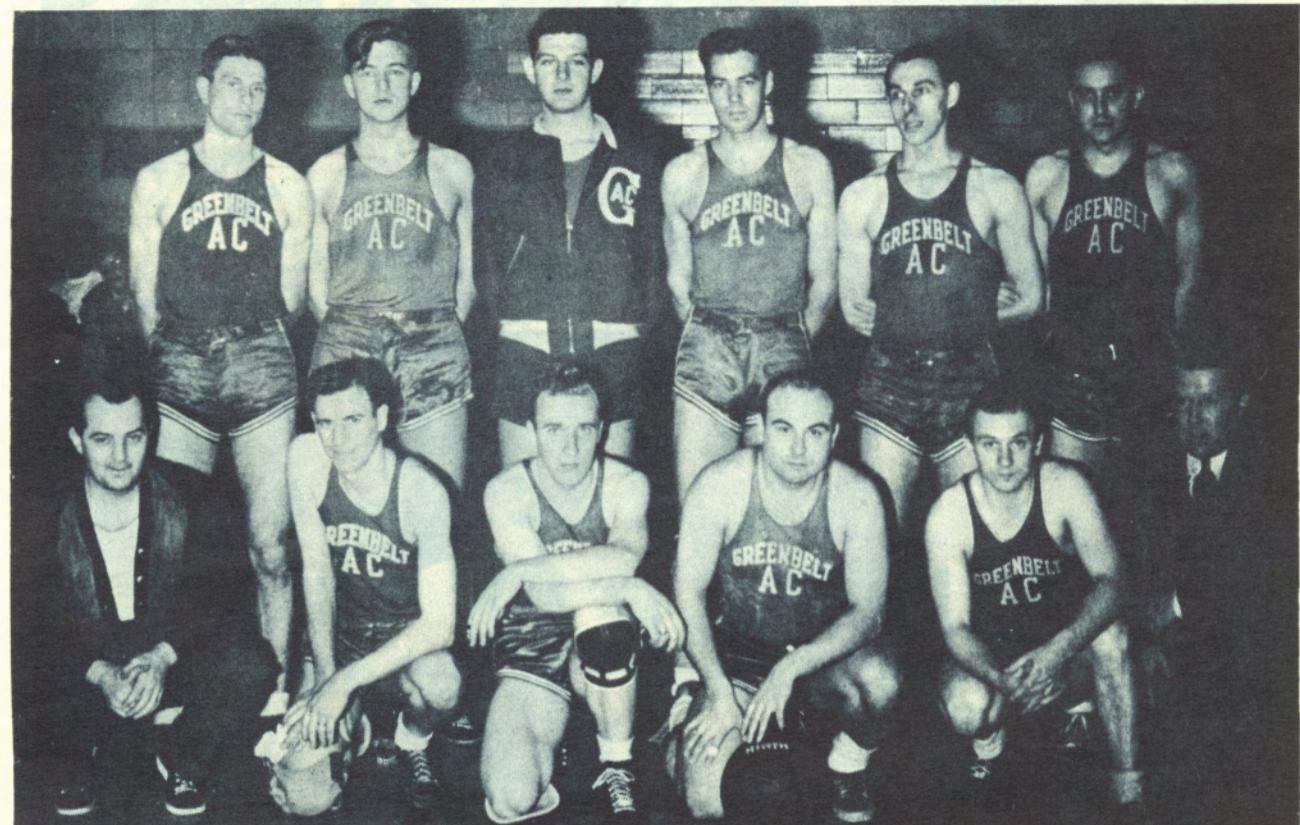
The policies and organizational set-up, although approved at the March 13 meeting of the board, will be reopened for further consideration at a future meeting. This is being done because one of the directors, who was absent when the policies were previously acted upon, desires to suggest certain changes.

The standing rules and rules of procedure of the board of directors, quite a detailed document but only half as long as the policies and organizational set-up, concerns itself with the time, place and calling of board meetings; procedure of such meetings; correspondence and records; and miscellaneous matters pertaining to board procedure and rules.

Recommended amendments to the by-laws were considered also at the March 27 meeting. Although the directors decided to recommend to the membership several changes, only one of the proposed amendments will be presented at the quarterly meeting on May 1. The purpose of the amendment, the details of which are posted in the Food Store, is to provide the Town of Greenbelt the privileges of membership and of patronage returns on purchases.

Several other proposed amendments were favorably acted upon by the directors, but will not be presented to the membership until the semi-annual meeting on August 7. These proposals are to state that share dividends "may be cumulative" instead of "non-cumulative;" to change the dividend rate from three to a maximum of six per cent per annum; and to require a minimum of ten per cent of the members as the number necessary to call a special meeting.

Here They Are — The Greenbelt Reps of 1939-40



—Photo by Francis Fornight

Left to right (Standing): Girsch, Wurl, Dunbar, Blanchard, Klepser and McDonald; (Kneeling): Coach Resnick, Barker, Cain, Marack, Abrahims, and Manager Ahaesy.

WELFARE COMMITTEE PLANS RUMMAGE SALE

The Welfare Committee of the Citizens Association is sponsoring a Rummage Sale to be held April 18 and 19 in the furniture store. Since spring house cleaning is at its height, it was thought that people would be willing to cooperate at this time.

In the past the Welfare Committee has carried on the Toy and Clothing Exchange, but it was thought that residents would enjoy making their own selection from a larger assortment of articles. If your child has outgrown his stroller, carriage, tricycle, sweaters or other wearing apparel, get in touch with your block representative—"A" Block, Mrs. Lois Fulmer, 4-E Ridge Road; "B" Block, Mrs. Polly Wofsey, 36-C Crescent Road; "C" Block, Mrs. Mae Fitch, 25-A Ridge Road or Mrs. Gladys Freeman, 23-G Ridge Road; "D" Block, Mrs. Dorothy East, 33-L Ridge Road; "E" and "F" Blocks, Mrs. Lillian Schwartz, 5-B Eastway, Mrs. Dorothy Fleisher, 6-C Hillside Road, Mrs. Dorothy Custer, 45-R Ridge Road; "J" Block, Mrs. Harriet Wentworth, 12-B Parkway and Mrs. Carrie Hall, 7-C Parkway.

Save your drapes, curtains, fruit jars, newspapers, magazines, furniture and any other articles no longer useful to you for the Rummage Sale.

BOY SCOUTS ASK GREENBELT LAND FOR CAMP

A delegation from the Prince George's Council of the Boy Scouts of America has petitioned the community manager to lease a tract adjoining the Jager property for a county Boy Scout Camp. Walter F. Mulligan, Chairman, Frank S. Taylor, County Scout Commissioner, and Dr. L. C. Morely, Superintendent of the Patuxent Research Refuge, represented the council.

The proposed tract, which is about 60 acres in extent, lies near the intersection of the Berwyn and Edmonston Roads. A small creek running through the property has given rise to plans for damming it to make a swimming pool. The Boy Scout council hopes the site will be available by summertime.

The Girl Scout Camp, also located in the so-called "Southern Area" of the Greenbelt tract (south of the Branchville-Clendale Road), is situated near the intersection of the Edmonston and Good Luck Roads. It is about a three-mile hike from the center of town. Last summer the attendance amounted to about 200 girls daily. Any Girl Scout troop in the county may avail itself of the camp facilities.

More Share Certificates Ready

It has been announced by the board of directors of the Greenbelt Consumer Services, Inc., that everyone whose patronage return credits were sufficient to complete payment for a share of stock in the cooperative, and also everyone who received share credits and paid the balance necessary for a fully-paid share, may obtain his share certificate at the office over the Variety Store.

The "Reps" Basketeters sponsored by the Greenbelt Athletic Club closed their regular season Saturday, March 23rd. Playing some of the better teams from Washington and vicinity, the "Reps" won 21 games and lost 11. They scored a grand total of 1206 points while 953 points were scored against them. Playing in the Eastern Division of the D. C. Recreation League, the "Reps" won 5 games while they were dropping 4 to finish in fourth place. They defeated Treasury Department in the first round of the A.A.U. Tournament sponsored by the Washington Post but were eliminated in the second round by F.B.I. Individual scoring records of the "Reps" are listed below.

PLAYER	GAMES PLAYED	TOTAL POINTS SCORED
McDonald	31	238
Girsch	30	183
Cain	25	168
Wurl	20	137
Klepser	30	97
Blanchard	18	83
Abrahims	29	72
Dunbar	20	63
Marack	26	61
Barker	22	55
Alder	22	39
Boggs	13	5
Holochwost	1	3
Provost	1	2
Resnick	2	0

The members of the "Reps" and Coach Resnick are to be congratulated on their fine showing. The sport fans of Greenbelt owe a debt of gratitude to the basketeters for their excellent entertainment they have provided on Saturday nights. Their only compensation has been the plaudits of the crowd so, sport-fans, let's give them a rising vote of thanks for their successful season.

HOSPITAL AUXILIARY TO GIVE BENEFIT DANCE

A dance sponsored by the Ladies' Auxiliary of the Greenbelt Hospital Saturday, April 6, will climax Hospital Week in Greenbelt. The celebration began Sunday with a tea and included a skit presented at the Citizens Association meeting and a Hospital Day.

Matt Matson's new 10 piece orchestra will play for the dance from 9:30 to 12:30. Mr. Matson has combined with the well-known Ernie Acker and promises an enjoyable evening of music.

The Ways and Means Committee, which planned the dance, announced that dress will be optional. Tickets may be secured from Betsy Woodman and Helen Heine, co-chairmen of the committee, for 35 cents. Other members of the committee are Bernice Brautigan, Dorothy East, Jo Gathrop, Dorothy Harris, Julia Myers, Doris Seybold and Mariam Slaugh.

The Staff Eats, Laughs at Rosenzweig, and Dances



Contest Committee to Continue

The purpose of the recent Rural Health Conservation Contest conducted by the Chamber of Commerce of the United States in cooperation with the American Public Health Association, was to foster development of sound rural public health work and to stimulate needed improvements in community health services.

Any district or county healthunit providing whole time health services was eligible to take part in the contest not later than March 15, 1940. Prince Georges county entered the contest and a committee, with business, industrial, and professional representation was appointed. Miss Elizabeth Yuretich, superintendent of the Greenbelt Hospital, was our representative.

The meeting of the committee took place in Hyattsville, on March 13. Dr. Charles E. Gill, County Health Officer, presented his fact finding schedule and supplemental information which he had compiled from numerous reports from the health, educational and civic agencies in the county.

All the counties participating in the contest submitted their material to the grading committee, and awards will be made on the basis of these reports by this group of health experts. The first award is a bronze plaque; other awards will be certificates.

The awards, however, are of secondary importance. The chief benefit of the contest lies in using it as a means of developing and maintaining intelligent lay interest in public health protection and promotion.

Realizing this, the Prince Georges Committee which was set up for the purpose of the contest did not dissolve, but became a permanent committee with the hope that it will be an extremely potent factor in enlarging the scope and effectiveness of rural public health work.

AMONG OUR ADVERTISERS

Operating revenues in January, 1940, for the Chesapeake and Potomac Telephone Company of Baltimore City, serving the State of Maryland, amounted to \$1,420,368, according to the report of operations just filed with the Maryland Public Service Commission.

Maryland was served by 282,477 telephones on January 31, 1940, which was an increase of 18,742 over the number in operation on January 31, 1939.

Telephone users made more than 40,019,600 calls during the month, which was an increase of 15.3 per cent over those made during January, 1939.

To my many friends in Greenbelt-

I am now with Lehman's Super Service Station, 12th and K Sts., N.W., covering sales of Seiberling Tires and Tubes.

EXTRA introductory Trade-Ins! To introduce the NEW Seiberling Special Service Tire, we are increasing our trade-in allowance. Come in to-day, or phone and let me make you an offer for your old tires—Easy DPA plan 3 to 5 months to pay.
W. P. (Bill) Deavers

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Meditations

by
Robert Lee Kincheloe
Minister to the
Greenbelt Community Church

The following is an excerpt from one of the daily devotions in H. E. Fosdick's "The Meaning of Faith".

"Man's faith is always the limit of his blessing; he never obtains more than he believes in."

"And coming into his own country, Jesus taught the people in their Synagogue in such a manner that they were deeply impressed. 'Where did he get this wisdom?' they said, 'and the miracles? Is not he the carpenter's son? Is not his mother called Mary and his brothers James, and Joseph, and Simon, and Judas? And his sisters, too—are not they all living among us? Where, then did he get all this?' These things proved a hindrance to their believing in him whereupon Jesus said: 'A prophet is not without honour, except in his own country and in his own house.' And he did not work many miracles there, because of their lack of faith." Matthew 13:54-58.

Dr. Fosdick then uses this famous prayer of John Hunter:

"Almighty God, our Heavenly Father, we desire to come to Thee in all humility and sincerity. We are sinful; pardon Thou us. We are ignorant; enlighten Thou our darkness. We are weak; inspire us with strength. In these times of doubt, uncertainty, and trial, may we ever feel conscious of Thine everlasting light. Soul of our soul! Inmost Light of truth! Manifest Thyself unto us amid all shadows. Guide us in faith, hope, and love, until the perfect day shall dawn, and we shall know as we are known."

"Almighty God, teach us, we pray Thee, by blessed experience to apprehend what was meant of old when Jesus Christ was called the power of God unto salvation, for we stand in need of salvation from sin, from doubt, from weakness, from craven fear; we cannot save ourselves; we are creatures of a day, shortsighted, and too often driven about by every wind of passion and opinion. We need to be stayed upon a higher strength. We need to lay hold of Thee. Manifest Thyself unto us, our Father, as the Saviour of our souls, and deliver us from the bondage of corruption into the glorious liberty of the children of God. Amen."

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE GROUP

"Unreality" is the subject of the lesson-sermon Sunday at 8 P.M. in the music room of the Elementary School.

Golden Text: Jeremiah 3:23. "Truly in vain is salvation hoped for from the hills, and from the multitude of mountains; truly in the Lord our God is the salvation of Israel." Among the citations which comprise the lesson-sermon is the following from the Bible: "There is that maketh himself rich, yet hath nothing; there is that maketh himself poor, yet hath great riches." (Prov. 13:7)

COMMUNITY CHURCH NEWS

The regular monthly business-social meeting of the Community Men's Class will be held in the school social room Friday, April 5, at 8 P.M. All members are urged to be on hand to enjoy this evening of good-fellowship.

The recently formed Glee Club of the Community Men's Class meets every Wednesday at 8 P.M. in the music room for practice. This group is made up of men who enjoy singing. A trained voice is not essential and all men interested in this form of recreation are invited to join.

NOTICE

In accordance with the provisions for amendment of the by-laws of Greenbelt Consumer Services, Inc., the Board of Directors of G. C. S. announces that at the membership meeting on May 1, 1940, it will recommend to the membership that the first sentence of Article VI, Section 2, of the by-laws be revised to read:

"Section 2. Qualifications for membership—
Membership shall be open to all natural persons twenty-one years of age or over, except non-residents of Greenbelt whose aims and purposes are contrary to the welfare of the cooperative, to cooperative associations other than Greenbelt Consumer Services, and to the Incorporated Town of Greenbelt."

The amendment consists, essentially, of the addition of the last clause.

The purpose of the amendment is to provide to the Town of Greenbelt the privileges of membership in the cooperative and of patronage returns on purchases.

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National 1125 - 6 - 7 - 8 - 9

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Rabbi Eli Pilchick To Review Book

The Book Club considers itself very fortunate in its next guest speaker—Rabbi Eli Pilchick, of Hillel Foundation at the University of Maryland, who will review "The Nazarene", a book which is a current selection of the Book of the Month Club.

The meeting will be held April 10 at 8 P.M. in the Social Room at the Elementary School.

MRS. KINZER SPEAKS AT MARYLAND UNIVERSITY

The housing and home management class of the University of Maryland was led by Mrs. Mary Jane Kinzer, on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday of last week. The reasons for building Greenbelt and the purpose and objectives of the community were discussed.

On the first day Mrs. Kinzer led the class at the University, on the second day they visited Greenbelt, and on Wednesday the discussion was resumed at the University. Mrs. Kinzer is Greenbelt's supervisor of family and community services.

JUDGE BAILEY WILL GET SERVICE TROPHY

Judge Alfred D. Bailey, past president for 16 years of the Federation of Citizens Associations of Prince Georges County will be the guest of honor at a dinner held at the Lord Calvert Inn tonight.

The Evening Star trophy, which is given for outstanding service to the County, will be presented to Judge Bailey at this time, the dinner and presentation to be followed by the regular Federation meeting.

MEETING MAY BE GIVEN TO SINGLE REPORT

If the special investigating committee reports on the Carroll controversy at the next meeting of the Journalistic Club, officers of the group anticipate an exciting evening Wednesday, April 10. No program or other business has been placed on the agenda as yet, pending the outcome of the committee's work.

The meeting will be at 8 P.M. in the Cooperator office.

CIVIL SERVICE EXAMINATIONS ANNOUNCED

The United States Civil Service Commission has announced open competitive examinations for the positions listed below. Applications must be on file in the Commission's office at Washington, D.C., not later than April 22.

Associate coal price analyst and investigator, \$3,200 a year, and assistant coal price analyst and investigator, \$2,600 a year, Bituminous Coal Division, Department of the Interior. Applicants must have had general practical experience as a coal accountant, coal shipping or rate clerk, or in such other employment in connection with the coal industry as would give a knowledge of sizing, classification, invoicing, and pricing of coal. In addition they must have had certain specialized experience as statistician or accountant with government agencies, coal trade associations, or related organizations, in making analytical studies of minimum price schedules, applying the schedules, or in analyzing the invoice or shipment records of a coal producer, distributor, or marketing agency. Certain substitution of college study or additional specialized experience may be allowed for the general experience. Applicants must not have passed their fifty-third birthday.

Animal geneticist, \$3,800 a year, and senior, \$4,600 a year, associate, \$3,200 a year, and assistant \$2,600 a year, Bureau of Animal Industry, Department of Agriculture. Applicants must have completed a 4-year college course and must have had research experience in some phase of animal genetics. Certain substitution of post-graduate study for experience may be allowed. Applicants must not have passed their fifty-third birthday.

A group of Boy Scouts from Troop 202 took an overnight hike Sunday night to the district camp on Edmonston Road.

The world's smallest flowering plant is watermeal, about one thirty-second of an inch in diameter.

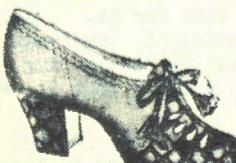
Personal Advertisements

LOST—New dark green Girl Scout Beret between Crescent Road apartments and Post Office. Please return to Nancy Nagle, 6-D Crescent Road.

OPPORTUNITY for car owner—Alternate driving vicinity of Agriculture Department. Hours 9:00 - 4:30. Parking Provided. Call Greenbelt 4191.

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Greenbelt 4721

Louis B. Land

8-A Hillside Rd.

8 ENTERING FOLK FESTIVAL

Eight folk-dance enthusiasts are studying up on some of the more intricate steps of the schottische this week, planning to capture a place in Washington's National Folk Festival, at the Maryland elimination meeting in Marlboro on April 13.

Chosen last week by leaders of the Saturday night folk dancing group, the eight are Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Hall, Sr., Helen and Manuel Gerst, Bessie Brickman, Jackson Sherman, Janet Thompson, and George Tretter. They held their first practice session last Saturday night.

The schottische, according to Sherman, who is one of the leaders of the local group, is a good old-time American dance, but probably came originally from the Scandinavian countries. "The basic step is very simple as we have been doing it so far", he explained, "and as a demonstration it might look rather monotonous. For this reason I have tried to work out a routine containing several of the Swedish schottische figures. The result may be somewhat of a hybrid, but I believe it will prove more interesting to watch, and more fun to perform."

The Saturday evening folk dances have increased in popularity during the winter months. Leaders estimate normal attendance at 40 to 60, and several out-of-town visitors are usually present each week. From a repertoire of a few square dances and a waltz, the accomplishments of the group have grown to include over a dozen squares, several Danish dances, American play-party games, as well as the old stand-bys, waltzes, schottische, and polkas.

"The list of our accomplishments to date should not frighten off newcomers," Sherman stated. "We really enjoy teaching others what we like so much."

For three weeks this month the group will have no meetings, first because of the Hospital Auxiliary dance this Saturday, then because of the competition at Marlboro, and finally because of the National Folk Festival in Washington on April 20. The next meeting will be on April 27.

FOUND LIST LENGTHENS

The following lost and found items will be held at the Administration office until April 11. Those who wish to claim lost articles are requested to report to the office before that date.

two gray felt hats
one square, vari-colored scarf
one blue wool muffler
one red and brown wool muffler
one pair beige suede gloves—silk palms
one pair dark green wool gloves
two pair brown wool gloves
one pair red embroidered gloves
one pair black rayon gloves—pigskin palms
one pair blue wool striped gloves
one pair red mittens
one pair pink mittens
two red and white wool caps
one green and white wool cap
one brown and orange wool cap
one green wool cap—knitted band
one navy wool cap
one hand knitted white wool cap
two leather helmets
one "Brownie" camera
one Rosary
one child's red plaid pocketbook
one small metal bracelet—name engraved
one flute
one toy gun
one marcasite ring
one sled
one scooter
keys
various belts and odd gloves
one toy bunny
one pair roller skates
one pair wool gloves—colored fingers
one pair black silk gloves
one blue figures scarf
one blue necklace pendant
one whistle
one baseball cap
one brown coin purse
one maroon and white parka
one blue and orange parka
one brown leather glove—knitted lining

GREENBELT MAY ORGANIZE TOWN BAND

Formation of a band for Greenbelt became more nearly a reality as Mrs. Mary Jane Kinzer announced a meeting to be held tomorrow night, April 5, at 8:00 P.M. in the recreation hall. The meeting is not only for people who already play band instruments but for anyone interested in the projected organization. Instruments for the band will be furnished by the town. Everyone is invited to attend.

Match this: We Americans strike nearly one billion matches daily.

MATT MATSON AND HIS ORCHESTRA

A new and finer 10 piece ensemble
to please you

at the

Hospital Auxiliary Benefit Dance

Saturday 9:30 12:30 April 6

POST OFFICE WILL BE OPEN

UNTIL 10 P.M.

The closing hour of the Post Office has been extended to 10 P.M. in answer to the requests of a number of box holders who attend night schools in Washington, Postmaster George W. Bryant announced last week.

Mr. Bryant is negotiating with the National Federation of Post Office Clerks for the loan of their new postal sound film "Men and Mail" to show in Greenbelt. It gives the historical background of the United States Postal Service since 1775, and carries its workings up to the present. Besides being very instructive, it is said to be entertaining. A visit from the Department Philatelic truck is also being planned.

The Post Office Department has promised 216 additional lock boxes in the near future, and all persons desiring them are encouraged to file their applications. Due to Departmental orders and the large waiting list for boxes, those who delay paying their box rent in the near future will find their mail placed in General Delivery and their boxes made available to the next applicant.

Consumers Study Group To Have Public Meeting

The Consumers Study Group of the American Association of University Women, College Park Branch, announces a public meeting, Tuesday, April 16 in the Agriculture Auditorium at Maryland University.

The meeting will review the National Consumers Education Conference which was held April 1, 2 and 3 at Columbia, Missouri. Two leaders who took part in the program at the conference will speak at this meeting.

Dr. Faith Williams, chief of the Living Standards Division of the United States Department of Labor, will speak on "Highlights from the National Consumer Conference", and Mr. Donald Montgomery, Consumers Council, AAA, will speak on "Business and Consumers".

There is no admission charge and all Greenbelters are invited.

UNEMPLOYMENT COMMITTEE REMAINS ACTIVE

Because several of the government agencies are curtailing their rolls, the Welfare Committee wishes to remind the citizens that they do have an Unemployment Committee which is still functioning actively.

Bart Finn, chairman of this committee, would like to thank Greenbelt citizens who have advised him of available positions in the past. The Welfare Committee still wishes information concerning new openings and about those people who want re-employment.

This committee, a part of the Citizens Association, would appreciate any information relative to vacant positions. Please call either Mr. Finn at 4261 or Mrs. Lois Fulmer at 3051.

A list of available positions will be posted on the bulletin boards of the Post Office and Bus Depot.

GREENBELT CO-OP INTERESTS LABOR UNIONS

A Philadelphia lawyer, who has been reading "with interest of the success which you folks have had in the Greenbelt Cooperative," has written to the president of the Greenbelt Consumer Services, Inc., stating that some labor unions there are interested in a cooperative enterprise.

The letter, written to Walter R. Volckhausen by Ralf Hillemann Owen of the law firm of Syme and Simons, which represents several large labor unions in the Philadelphia area, states that the leadership of these unions has felt for some time that a cooperative enterprise would be of value to the members, and requested literature and information on the Greenbelt cooperative which would familiarize them with the cooperative movement.

Mr. Volckhausen's reply reviewed briefly the history of the consumers' cooperative in Greenbelt, pointed out some cooperative principles, contrasted the Greenbelt procedure with that usually followed by cooperatives in developing from small buying clubs, and referred Mr. Owen to the Eastern Cooperative League for further information.

POST OFFICE SCHEDULE

8 A.M. to 10 P.M.

(FROM GREENBELT)		
8:35 A.M.	1st class	East and North mail
9:45 A.M.	1st class	Mail to all points
12:00 Noon - (Except Saturday)	1st class & P.P.	Mail to all points
1:30 P.M. - (Saturday Only)	1st class & P.P.	Mail to all points
4:45 P.M.	All classes	Mail to all points
INCOMING MAILS READY FOR DELIVERY TO PATRONS AT:		
9:30 A.M.	1st class & P.P.	From all points
10:30 A.M.	1st class and newspapers	From all points
2:00 P.M. - (Except Saturday)	P.P. and Misc. printed matter	Chiefly from West and New York
3:30 P.M. - (Saturday only)	P.P. and Misc. printed matter	Chiefly from West and New York
6:00 P.M.	All classes	From all points

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Support the Ordinance

The new public health ordinance which will be discussed Monday night at Town Council meeting appears to be, after careful reading, a model piece of legislation well suited to Greenbelt's special problems.

It is quite evident that Mayor Warner and Councilman Walther wrote this ordinance to carry on from the mark reached by the previous public health ordinance of June 12, 1939. The new measure meets certain shortcomings in the present set-up and represents definite improvement in several of its aspects.

There are provided in the proposed ordinance a part-time public health officer at a salary of at least \$900 a year, a full-time nurse at a salary of at least \$1600, and such other employees as the town manager agrees are needed. A protective clause stipulates that the health officer shall have no office or employment with any other governmental agency while serving in this capacity, and that the nurse shall devote full time to her duties. Both employees must be Greenbelt residents.

Authority of the health officer is increased in his relations with other employees in his department and in enforcement of quarantine and other public health measure throughout the town. This should prevent another impasse such as occurred during the last year.

One aspect of the proposal which may be regarded by some with criticism is the proviso for an advisory public health committee. The idea itself is excellent, but in order to be fully representative of the town the committee would have a membership of 15 according to the present plan. We have some doubt as to the efficiency of so large a committee.

Only praises, however, can be directed towards the ordinance as a whole, especially for the careful detail in which the duties and responsibilities of the proposed health officer are outlined. The next Council meeting should draw a packed house to hear this bill analyzed and to urge its adoption.

No More Circulars

On three occasions during the last seven months mimeographed circulars have been inserted in the Cooperator for distribution without the knowledge of the editor. In each case the sponsoring organization secured approval of some staff member who was not acquainted with staff ruling in this matter.

For general information and in an effort to prevent any misunderstanding in the future we call attention to a staff ruling that no inserts can be distributed in the Cooperator without the knowledge and consent of the editor. On occasion important late news or some material of special note has been and will continue to be distributed as an insert to the paper, but it can be readily appreciated that unrestricted delivery of circulars by this method is unfair to delivery boys and constitutes an impossible situation for the editor, who can not be responsible for what goes into the paper without this knowledge.

In the three cases mentioned the bulletins were for most worthy causes, but they were followed by numerous requests from other organizations, some of them not so worthy, for similar privileges.

Cooperator route carriers will be glad to distribute other circulars at the same time as the Cooperator on Thursday evenings for 25 cents per boy—\$1.25 for covering the town—but in no case may these be inserted as a part of the paper itself without the editor's permission.

Poison Ivy Club

For this week we nominate to our Poison Ivy Club parents who let their children make mud pies in that nice new flower bed we just planted.

For your spare moments: You can roughly compute how long you will live (barring fatal accidents) by adding the number of years your father and mother lived and your two grandfathers and two grandmothers lived and dividing by six—this according to heredity statistics.

Attend the Hospital Auxiliary Dance, April 6.

Letters to Editor

REPORT NUMBER 1.

To the Editor:

Exception is taken to "A Year Is Too Long", the editorial appearing in the Cooperator last week, in which the editor appears to have attempted to relate to oblivion a very alive transportation plan.

For his information we offer an outline of more recent events.

The Transportation Committee, reporting to the Citizens Association at regular meeting on December 4, 1939, outlined the cooperative small unit plan and submitted therewith a detailed working analysis and balance sheet of the proposed operation. General discussion resulted in a motion to appoint a review committee, which action was entirely justified in view of the importance of the matter under consideration, this being a proposed solution to what the editor has indicated as the community's No. 1 problem. Any proposed solution should be submitted to searching scrutiny before wheels are put in motion.

With the holiday season closely following appointment of the review committee, it was not possible to complete its study of the Transportation Committee's report in time to report to the Association in January. Hence this action was deferred until the February 5 meeting of the Association. The review committee's report confirmed the findings of the Transportation Committee and recommended approval of the cooperative plan as the only feasible one of several plans which had been considered.

The body of the Association approved the plan at this meeting and a group of interested individuals immediately proceeded to take preliminary steps towards working out the details of organization, financing, selection of equipment, etc. Much progress has been made and as definite steps are accomplished they will be publicized. In the meantime, all interested persons are invited to contact the Chairman of this Committee.

There is attached a copy of the Transportation Committee's report of December 4 which provides the basis for setting up this operation. We feel that this report should be printed in full, as important information.

—Transportation Committee.

TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE REPORT

This report will complete one important phase of this Committee's work, namely, the investigation and development of alternate means of transportation, the need for which has become progressively more apparent since last April.

Your Committee has held that the whole of the metropolitan area, theoretically, could best be served by a single transportation system. This is generally recognized, and a metropolitan system is normally accorded monopoly position. Its operation is vital to community welfare and regulatory bodies are created to protect and advance the public welfare.

It is very doubtful that the basic conflict between private ownership and public interest can ever be adjudicated satisfactorily. In any case it is clear that the Capital Transit operation is concerned with the public interest only so far as it coincides with direct, immediate and excessive profits. It is equally certain that Commission enforcement of the accepted theory of a "fair return on operation in the best public interest" will, in this case, be a slow process.

The present public service is felt to be so inadequate as to be detrimental to the community and its development. The organization of an alternate service seems the only practical solution. Mr. Ketcham has presented a report covering the findings of the Committee on the "municipal" plan.

It is not anticipated that such plan would constitute a competitive service. Membership in the organization would be required in order to obtain service. Essential elements of this plan may be stated briefly as follows. Deficiencies of private car transportation, as well as public transportation, have been given consideration.

1. Service. The vehicle proposed would be of twelve passenger capacity in order to accommodate groups of members with respect to hours and places of employment and to insure minimum traveltime. Flexibility would be provided by installation of drop seats for emergency passengers.

2. Economy. The cost of operation would be adequately covered by revenues of \$1.75 per week per passenger. A saving more than sufficient to balance the proportionately higher operation cost of the small unit would be attained through volunteer driving.

3. Practicability. Initially, only rush hour service is proposed, thus limited to assure regular patronage and dependable income. No immediate heavy capital investment would be necessary—one vehicle only would be required to initiate the operation and additional vehicles would be purchased only as a full passenger load had been subscribed as members.

4. Safety. Safe transportation through regular maintenance and safety provisions.

5. Insurance. In amounts to conform with I.C.C. regulations for this capacity vehicle and character of service.

6. A membership fee of \$15.00 would adequately provide for organizational expense.

7. Purchase of equipment would be by capital loan, to be repaid from operation revenues.

8. The organizational form would be a non-profit corporation chartered under Maryland laws. The corporation form would eliminate member risk.

9. Legality. Qualified attorneys have advised that the non-competitive nature of the operation removes it from the jurisdiction of the Maryland and District Commissions. The Interstate Commerce Commission may have jurisdiction but such regulation would probably be advantageous.

Letters to Editor

A PROTEST

To the Editor:

May I have the use of your columns to correct some half-truths that appeared in a news article on page two of the March 28 issue of the Cooperator entitled "Carroll Attacks Cooperator and Club Heads".

The statement in parenthesis that "The business manager and the paper carriers are the only Greenbelt residents who receive compensation for their work with the Cooperator" is one example. This may be true now but you do know that during May 18 months of service as business manager other jobs on the paper did carry salaries, and that during your term as editor this amount ran as high as \$22.50 a week, exclusive of my commission.

The article might also have noted that after my services ended I still was entitled to commissions for advertising previously sold. That two of your officers urged me to collect the outstanding accounts so that I might receive what was due me; that when I went to collect the accounts (as I had been doing for the 18 previous months) I was confronted with a letter written by a third officer advising the advertisers that "P. J. Carroll is no longer connected with the Greenbelt Cooperator and is therefore not authorized to conduct any business for us" and to "kindly make all payments directly to the Greenbelt Cooperator."

It was not under threat of suit but as a matter of common decency that all of the club members, with but one exception, voted to settle the matter by paying me what all considered justly due, that is, commission on all accounts that advertised between November 1, 1939 and February 29, 1940 regardless of whether or not they had been collected.

I hope that it is not too much to ask that this letter be given the same prominence the editorialized news article received and that in all fairness I be given the opportunity in the future to see any articles concerning me personally before they are published so that I may answer in the same issue.

—Peter J. Carroll

CHINESE COOPERATORS APPEAL FOR LITERATURE

To the Editor:

We pay 25 cents for a pamphlet on cooperation—in China the same pamphlet costs nearly \$2 in their money. Due to the marked fall in the rate of exchange, the Chinese Industrial Cooperatives find the purchase of urgently needed literature prohibitive in any quantity. Their members face a twofold challenge, the replacement on a cooperative basis of China's industrial plants—all but a tenth destroyed by the Japanese—and the stimulating of their country's growth into a cooperative democracy.

There is a way you in Greenbelt can immediately help our fellow cooperators in China to achieve this inspiring goal. Texts on cooperative principles and methods must be put in the hands of English-reading organizers in the field. The basic approach is the same in all types of cooperative enterprise, and literature on the consumers' program will in addition encourage development of distributive units.

Books and pamphlets on cooperation, irrespective of age or condition, will be gratefully welcomed by Chinese cooperators. Will you give us any you can spare from your personal library or from your society's? They can be mailed to 57 William Street, Room 912, New York City, The New York Committee for the Chinese Industrial Cooperatives. The Committee will gladly reship all contributions. If you have large quantities that you wish to ship direct, we will be glad to give you any further information desired.

If you wish to know more about the Chinese Industrial Cooperatives, write to us, and we will be happy to send you some literature.

—New York Office,
Chinese Industrial Cooperatives

WRITE A LETTER NOW

To the Editor:

Would Greenbelt residents like to help some fellow cooperatives?

This is a cry for help from the District of Columbia Cooperative League, representing five member cooperatives. You probably know that we are classed with convicts and idiots here in the District, not because we are cooperators, but just because we live in the District where, like convicts and idiots, we have no vote.

We haven't even a Congressman to write to. But you have.

There is before Congress now a bill providing legislation under which cooperatives may be organized in the District. The District is among the very few political subdivisions in the country which has no legal provision for such organization.

The bill has been pushed by us for several years, and it looks as if we can get it before the Senate and House during this session. This is where we need your help. Where we speak only as babbling, troublesome children to the lawmakers, you can speak as constituents. Will you write to your Senators and Congressmen urging favorable action on the bills?

Senate Bill S.2013 is now in the Senate District Committee. Its twin, House Bill H.R.4312, is in the House District Committee. Senator Arthur Capper (R), Kansas, who introduced the bill, has been named chairman of the Senate sub-committee. He is holding hearings on the bill and will vote for it. Representative Dan McGehee (D), Mississippi, chairman of the Judiciary sub-committee that is considering the House Bill, does not approve, feeling that it will restrict private enterprise.

We estimate our chances are good for passing the Senate, and if all you cooperatives come to the aid of your helpless, voiceless little brothers here in the Capital, we can probably get it through the House as well.

—Charles E. Planck,

President, D.C. Cooperative League

LIBRARY CORNER

LIBRARY SCHEDULE

Monday, Wednesday, Friday	- 9:00 A.M. to 12:00 noon 1:00 P.M. to 5:00 P.M.
Tuesday, Thursday	- 9:00 A.M. to 12:00 noon 1:00 P.M. to 5:00 P.M.
Saturday	- 9:00 A.M. to 12:00 noon 2:00 P.M. to 6:00 P.M.

Biography is called "individual" when a whole book devotes itself to the life of but one person. It is so called to distinguish it from "collective" biography, which is the term applied to a book which contains separate accounts of the lives of more than one person. Inasmuch as most of recorded history is human history, and since nearly all historical events have centered about significant persons, the field of biography is closely related to that of history. Doubtless the type of biographical work most commonly familiar to us is that which tells the life story of some person who played his part in shaping the course of human progress.

The order in which biographies generally are arranged on the shelf is determined not by the names of their authors but by the surnames of the persons about whom the books are written. In our Greenbelt Library you will find all the biographies filed in the above manner on the stack next to the fiction sections.

Below are listed some of the more popular books of this particular classification:

George Arliss, "Up the Years from Bloomsbury"; Emil Ludwig, "Bismarck"; Simon Rourke, "Man of Glory, Simon Bolivar"; A. Bostwick, "A Life with Men and Books"; N.M. Butler, "Across the Busy Years"; Mary E. Chase, "A Goodly Fellowship"; Noel Coward, "Present Indicative"; Craig, "Danger Is My Business"; Curie, "Madame Curie"; George Digby, "Goose Feathers"; Benjamin Franklin, "Autobiography of Benjamin Franklin"; G. Heiser, "American Doctor's Odyssey"; A. E. Hertzler, "Horse and Buggy Doctor"; Mrs. B. Harding, "Imperial Twilight"; Carl Sandburg, "Abraham Lincoln, the War Years"; E. M. Loomis, "Consultation Room"; W. E. Barrett, "Woman on Horseback"; David Cecil, "The Young Melbourne"; A. A. Milne, "Autobiography"; Honore W. Morrow, "Demon Daughter"; Axel Munthe, "Story of San Michele"; Romola Nijinsky, "Nijinsky"; Bellamy Partridge, "Imperial Saga: The Roosevelt Family in America"; John H. Evans, "Joseph Smith, an American Prophet"; Henry S. Canby, "Thoreau"; Louis Untermeyer, "From Another World"; Lowell M. Limpus, "Honest Cop: Lewis J. Valentine"; Van Paassen, "Days of Our Years".

— Reba S. Harris

Actress Among Recent Visitors

Greenbelt was host to many distinguished visitors last week. A representative from the Chilean government and the Pan American Union were here last Thursday to study Greenbelt and draft housing laws for Chile based on their findings here.

Aline MacMahon, screen and stage actress was in Greenbelt last Friday with her husband Clarence Stein, one of the architects who planned Greenbelt. Miss MacMahon appeared last week in "Heavenly Express" which was presented at the National Theater.

A group of students from the School of Public Affairs, University of Maryland, came to Greenbelt as part of a course on government.

Mr. and Mrs. Ferdinand Mann of Consumers Union, New York City, visited Greenbelt last week. Mr. Mann is one of the staff technicians of C. U., and Mrs. Mann works with Lydia Altshuler in the circulation division.

They covered the town including visits to the stores, hospital and Health Association.

Since Mr. Mann is a technician of electrical appliances he took special note of all electrical gadgets in Greenbelt. He was particularly interested in the newly constructed incubator at the hospital.

THE POET'S CORNERED

Let's be neighbors; let's be friends;
Let's see that this factionalism ends;
Let's not be set on having our way;
Let's let the other side have its say;
Let's not pretend that we're omniscient;
Let's admit that others are efficient;
Let's not argue; let's not fight;
Let's find out if the other guy's right;
Let's not try to run the community;
Let's rather strive for unity;
Let's work together; make amends;
Let's be neighbors; let's be friends.
— Chaz



A YEAR AGO

(From the Cooperator of April 6, 1939)

A transportation protest meeting overflowed the hall in which Greenbelt citizens gathered to discuss the solution to the problem.....

Dr. Joe W. Still, physician on the staff of the Greenbelt Health Association, was seen on the screen of the Greenbelt Theater in "Men of Medicine".....

The Cooperative Organizing Committee election meeting, featured a dance given in honor of Robert Jacobsen, retiring manager of Greenbelt Drug Store.

WITH THE PLAYERS

A number of persons proposed for parts in "Bury The Dead" (now postponed) were carried over to roles in "Blind Alley", the melodrama scheduled for production by the Greenbelt Players on April 16 and 17. The complete cast of gangsters, non-gangsters, and incidentals of "Blind Alley" will be given in this column next week. Suffice it to be said for the meantime that the impersonations will be handled for the most part by the more experienced amateur actors and actresses of the community. Theodora Murray, former Players president, will return to active drama thru the medium of the forthcoming play.

Members of the production staff under directors Ellen Quinn Krebs and Nathan H. Schein have been reported as follows:

Business Manager John Murray
Stage Manager Dorothy East
Stage Designer Joe Maynard
Costumer Jane Cragin
Property Mistress Anne Hull

The call is still out for "gats" for the blind alleyites. Perhaps the Gun Club can handle the request for the guns, but where the shoulder holsters might come from isn't known yet.

SPOTLIGHT:

Marjorie Ketcham, reported recently as a prospective pilot, prefers to be known as a prospective aviatrix, instead. Grease monkey, fetch me my powder puff!

WASHINGTON CALENDAR:

On Saturday, April 6 at 4:00 P.M. the Arts Club of Washington give their WJSV tournament play, "A Gift from Cartier's."

The National Theatre now features the Clare Boothe comedy melodrama, "Margin For Error." (50 cents and up, plus tax--8:30 P.M.)

—Lyman L. Woodman

Welcome to Greenbelt

The Cooperator wishes to extend a hand of welcome to the following new residents:

Mr. and Mrs. Melvin W. Bryant	6-M Ridge Road
Mr. Donald Chittenden	12-L Parkway Road
Miss Dorothy Dickerson	10-K Parkway Road
Mr. Maurice J. Halper	9-S Parkway Road
Mr. and Mrs. Norman Slater	14-E Crescent Road
Mr. and Mrs. Louis Wenzil	16-B Crescent Road



Today I was reading the ornamental flower garden notes which are sent to me through the kindness of the Extension Horticulturist, Dr. Ballard, from the University of Maryland. There were a number of interesting things in the notes, but I was especially interested in the section headed "A Fragrant Garden". I think I shall quote that section in its entirety in the near future, but this afternoon I'm off on another track.

Dr. Ballard names many fragrant flowers, vines, shrubs and trees—all of which I would give my two front teeth to possess, but in naming the shrubs, he stops at lavender. Now, people who stop at lavender without mentioning rosemary make me feel like the parents of twins when one is admired and the other ignored. My lavender and rosemary have been happy garden friends for so long that I cannot bear to extoll the one and forbear to mention the other. Both came to me from a friend who loves them both and to me they are interchangeable in fragrance and beauty.

Since Dr. Ballard mentions lavender, mind if I mention the rosemary? It is an evergreen shrub with aromatic glossy-green foliage, white-felted underneath. It is not a member of the Rose family, but takes its name from the Latin ros-marinum, or sea-dew, owing to its fondness for water. There is considerable romance and folk-lore in connection with rosemary. In olden times it was believed to possess a stimulating influence on the memory, and became known as the "herb of memory". Ophelia, poor mad creature, says pathetically, "There's a rosemary, that's for remembrance; pray you, love, remember..." It was also used at Christmas to deck the banqueting hall, and the boar's head. There is a legend that the Virgin Mary spread the linen of the Holy Child on a bush of rosemary, and in memorial the rosemary flowers on the day of His passion. With the Romans it occupied an interesting place in their decorations and ceremonies. Guests at banquets were crowned with its foliage, as their famous heroes were crowned with laurel. They planted it near tombs as they supposed its odor helped to preserve the bodies of their dead. A relic of the custom used to be observed in the north of England, when sprays of rosemary were carried in funeral processions, and cast on the coffin in the grave. Rosemary is a favorite with the bees, and honey taken by them from its flowers is highly prized.

In the garden where my rosemary first lived, there is a hedge about five feet high. Mine will never sport a five foot hedge of it, I fear, for I keep mine constantly pruned. I hesitate to mention it in so utilitarian a manner, after all the lovely legends ascribed to it, but a few leaves of rosemary gives a grand flavor to gravies and stuffings. Pardon the sudden exit of the gardener and the sudden entrance of the cook.

—Peggy Arness

This may have a familiar ring: Snakes, which are otherwise cold-blooded creatures, run a temperature when angered.

CUSTER'S LAST STAND



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It has been called to our attention that a request has been made of Walnut Hill Dairy, which if granted would set a precedent jeopardizing the remarkable success of the Milk Club in providing its members with milk at rock bottom prices. And it would add nothing to the value of the service being rendered.

Twelve or thirteen ladies would like free transportation to Ellicott City for the purpose of visiting the Walnut Hill plant.

Let's consider what good would come of such a visit. It could not reassure us as to the quality of milk delivered. State and county official regulations already reassure us far more effectively than a group of well-intentioned, but untrained, women could. The contract with the Milk Club requiring 4 per cent butter fat, added to the official control, gives extraordinary protection to the consumer.

As far as that goes would the average housewife be able to tell if a certain sized cooler meets the cooling efficiency requirements of the county and state health regulations? Would she know a bacterium if she met one face to face?

And would the lack of a showy glass brick lobby furnished in chromium and scarlet furniture detract anything from the efficiency of the essential expensive equipment which to untrained eyesight look insignificant without those refinements. Larger dairies all over the country have been known to furnish free bus rides, free entertainments, free refreshments. They have given away little Bibles. They have put pretty pictures on cheese glasses, and nursery rhymes on milk bottles. One dairyman offered to take one lady's friends on a picnic whenever and wherever they wanted to go; being a very rude and perhaps naive person she had to ask "Why? Who foots the bill?"

More and more consumers are asking such questions. The very creation of the Milk Club is an answer to such questioning.

We wanted the cost of our milk to be based only on cost plus a legitimate profit to the distributor. We wanted to eliminate just such items as the cost of using three men and three cars perhaps a half day to take a dozen or so women on a sightseeing trip. We were all willing, in fact we insisted, that sums needed to provide the most careful professional inspection be included in the costs. But we insisted, and we consumers must continue to insist most aggressively, that we not be taxed one and two cents an item (ten or twenty per cent) for nice sounding words, pretty pictures, and flattering attentions.

— Carnie Harper and Howard C. Custer

Calendar Of Events

Thursday, April 4			
Legion Auxiliary	8:00 P.M.	Social Room	
Legion Post	8:00 P.M.	Legion House	
Women's Gym	8:00 P.M.	Auditorium	
Catholic Choir	8:00 P.M.	Music Room	
Friday, April 5			
Credit Union	6:30- 9:00 P.M.	Meeting Room	
Basketball	8:00 P.M.	Auditorium	
Mens Bible Class	8:00 P.M.	Social Room	
Hospital Auxiliary	8:00 P.M.	Home Economics	
Town Band	8:00 P.M.	Jr. Recreation	
Hebrew Congregation	8:30 P.M.	Music Room	
Saturday, April 6			
Gun Club	2:30 - 5:00 P.M.	Range	
Shoe Craft	7:00 - 9:00 P.M.	10 Parkway Bsm	
Confession	7:30 P.M.	11-V Ridge Road	
Hospital Auxiliary Dance	9:30 P.M.	Auditorium	
Sunday, April 7			
Catholic Sunday School	8:30 A.M.	Theater	
L.D.S. Men's Study Class	8:30 A.M.	Music Room	
Mass	9:00 A.M.	Theater	
Community Church School	9:30 A.M.	School	
L.D.S. Sunday School	11:00 A.M.	Social Room	
Community Church	11:00 A.M.	Auditorium	
Hebrew Sunday School	11:00 A.M.	Music Room	
Gun Club	1:00 - 4:00 P.M.	Range	
Young People's Society	6:45 P.M.	Community Bldg	
Community Evening Hour	8:00 P.M.	Auditorium	
L.D.S. Sunday Evening			
Service	8:00 P.M.	Social Room	
Christian Science	8:00 P.M.	Music Room	
Monday, April 8			
Girl Scouts #17	3:30 P.M.	Social Room	
Girl Scouts #26	6:45 P.M.	Hobby Room	
Cub Den	7:00 - 8:00 P.M.	Social Room	
Shoe Craft	7:00 - 9:00 P.M.	10 Parkway Bsm	
Bridge Club	8:00 P.M.	Room 200	
Tuesday, April 9			
Bowling League	7:30 P.M.	College Park	
Girl Scouts #18	7:30 P.M.	Social Room	
Camera Club	8:00 P.M.	Room 222	
Cub Den	8:00 P.M.	Hobby Room	
Wednesday, April 10			
Junior Choir	7:00 P.M.	Music Room	
Shoe Craft	7:00 - 9:00 P.M.	10 Parkway Bsm	
Men's Gym	8:00 P.M.	Auditorium	
Holy Name Society	8:00 P.M.	Hobby Room	
Men's Glee Club	8:00 P.M.	Music Room	
Book Club	8:00 P.M.	Social Room	
Dance Group	8:00 P.M.	7-C Parkway	
Journalistic Club	8:00 P.M.	Cooperator Of.	

Odd facts: Alabama has a law against putting salt on railroad tracks—which sounds silly until you realize its intention is so no cattle will be attracted and possibly be run over.



MRS. GREENBELT



Good Evening, Mrs. Greenbelt

I've done a great many things in my life that I don't want to do but this amounts to one of the toughest. For you see, this isn't just "Good Evening, Mrs. Greenbelt", it's also "Good-bye, Mrs. Greenbelt".

I've resigned as Women's Editor, for reasons which have nothing to do with the Cooperator. Nobody could ask for a finer group of people to work with than the staff of this paper. Please continue to give them your support and be as nice to my successor as you have to me.

Sorry, folks. This isn't my Adam's apple. It's a lump in my throat and the darn thing can't be swallowed.

— Peggy Arness

Recipes

We are indebted to Mrs. Ethel C. Johnston for the following recipe for applesauce cake. The whole Cooperator staff can vouch for its deliciousness.

APPLESAUCE CAKE

1 cup butter or substitute	1 cup sugar
1 egg	1 cup molasses
1 tsp. vanilla	1 cup unsweetened applesauce
3 cups flour	1 tsp. soda
1 tsp. nutmeg	½ cup raisins and currants
1/2 tsp. each of allspice, cinnamon and cloves	

Cream butter and sugar together. Add well beaten egg and molasses, mix until well blended. Add applesauce. Sift dry ingredients, and add to creamed mixture, then add floured fruit. Bake in moderate oven for one hour.

WARTIME CAKE

by

Helen Heine

2 cups seedless raisins	2 cups sugar
2 cups water	3/4 cup cooking oil
2 tsp. cinnamon	1 tsp. cloves

1/2 tsp. salt

Cook all together about 3 minutes. When cool dissolve two teaspoons baking soda in a little water. Add to first mixture then add 3 1/2 cups flour. Bake for one hour in slow oven.

Mothers' Club Holds "Hi-Jinks"

The annual hi-jinks of the Mothers Club was held Tuesday, March 26, in the social room of the Elementary School, and was attended by 55 persons including club members and their husbands. Mrs. Walter J. Bierwagen acted as toast mistress, and presented a farewell gift to Mrs. Irvin M. Quigg. Mr. and Mrs. Quigg are moving to Arlington, Virginia.

A Magic Carpet program by WJSV provided the evening's entertainment. Those taking part were Mrs. Bierwagen, A. T. Witcher, Mrs. Louise Welch, who as president outlined the history of the Mothers Club, Francis Edmunds and Mrs. Denzil Wood.

Miss Phyllis Warner gave two readings, "Willie the Angelic Child", and "Alice".

Mrs. Lydal Palmer sang three songs, "Philosophy", "The Lying Little Daisy", and "Hot Mr. Piper".

A spelling bee game and dancing completed the evening.

Taken suddenly ill with appendicitis, Marilyn Ruth Miner, 11, of 6-J Ridge Road, was operated on early Monday morning, March 18, at the Greenbelt Hospital. Marilyn is now recovering in the hospital room which has just been vacated by June Donohue, who underwent a similar operation.

June returned to school on March 25, and we hope Marilyn, too, will soon be entirely recovered.

Marilyn asks us to express her gratitude to the nurses and doctors at the hospital who have done so much to make her well and happy; and to her friends whose visits and loving messages have helped her through many lonely hours; and to Mrs. Keane, her teacher, and her class for the gorgeous bowl of red double tulips which is a spot of sunshine in her room.

The Women's Club met this afternoon at 2 o'clock at the home of Mrs. James J. Lehman, 5-H Ridge Road.

The club had a guest speaker Mrs. Matthew Gault, of Baltimore, who is a state Federation officer in charge of club institutes. Mrs. Gault's topic was "Club Ethics."

Greenbelt's New Babies

Mr. and Mrs. William R. Stewart, Jr., 2-B Parkway are parents of a son, William R. III, born at 7:11 P.M. March 26 in the Greenbelt Hospital. Mr. Stewart is business manager of the Greenbelt Health Association.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilfred J. Meade, 5-A Crescent Road announce the birth of a daughter Wednesday, March 27.

Mr. and Mrs. Martin S. Strones, 28-B Crescent Road announce the birth of a son at 11:50 A.M., March 30, in the Greenbelt Hospital.

Better Buyers Briefs

A Better Buyers group, under the supervision of Mrs. Madge Thurber, met at the home of Mrs. Bernice Brautigan, 3-B Parkway Road, March 26.

The discussion of meats was continued from the last group meeting. There were two reports given:

"Standards for Live Stock and Meats", by Mrs. Brautigan, and
"Beef Grading and Stamping Service", by Mrs. Culver.

Mrs. Jessie Fair will entertain the group April 2, at her home 6-F Parkway Road.

Refreshments, a game of Bingo and prizes, followed by a lively discussion made the last meeting of the Better Buyers Group #13 an enjoyable affair. Mrs. Rogers was the hostess. The secretary, Mrs. Morgenstein, was welcomed back after a brief absence. Mrs. Laakso led the group in considering ideas for bringing the public's attention to the Suggestion Box in the Food Store. The group was unanimous in their approval of the handy shopping list distributed by the Food Store. Mrs. Carnie Harper who has used Silver Seal utensils for several years gave the women a report on her experiences with it.

Mrs. Manning, Mrs. Benefiel and Mrs. Harper were responsible for the delightful party given last Wednesday for the members and their husbands.

The group headed by Mrs. Carl Jernberg met on March 26, with Mrs. Frederick Ackerman, 13-P Ridge Road. The subject under discussion was the use of oleomargarine.

The next meeting will be at the home of Mrs. Irving Johnston, 13-C Ridge Road.

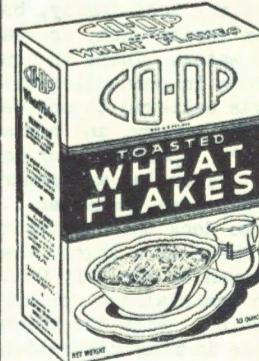
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Remember the place: Social Room.
Remember the occasion: Masquerade Box Social.
Remember the time: 7:30 P.M.
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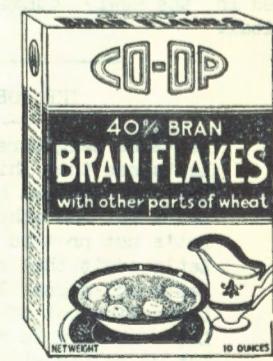
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All-Stars Trim Reps in Finale Before Capacity Crowd

By John Ahaesy

In a game that Greenbelt sportfans will be arguing about, when all other games have been forgotten, the Greenbelt "All Stars", under the able direction of Ben Goldfaden, defeated the Athletic Club's "Reps" 45 to 37. The keen rivalry between these two teams brought out one of the largest crowds of the season.

Pre-game predictions by the "sideline coaches" indicated that man for man the "All Stars" had the edge but due to the fact they had failed to play together, the "Reps" should take them. It was further predicted that the "Reps" would run the "Old Man" ragged in the last half. The "Old Man" shattered this theory to smithereens and proved that the slogan "improves with age" still holds good.

Bozek was high scorer for the "Stars" with 12 points. Boote played a brilliant offensive game. Besides scoring 11 points, he teamed with Goldfaden on numerous occasions to stage some of the finest breakaway plays seen at the gym this year. Goldfaden proved the "Stars" made no mistake in choosing him to direct. He played a brilliant defense game and was instrumental in breaking up what little passing the "Reps" attempted. In the final stages of the game he was all over the court shouting words of encouragement and advice to his teammates. Uhrinak's effortless style of play is always a delight to see; he is one of those natural athletes who is an asset to any team.

The Reps tried desperately, but their teamwork bogged down and their passing failed to click. Several times they came within 3 points of tying the score, but each time the "Stars" put on extra pressure to stay in the lead. McDonald of the "Reps" was high scorer of the game with 19 points. Barker and Blanchard drew one of the toughest jobs of the year when they were assigned to guard Goldfaden and Uhrinak. To say both boys did the job assigned them in flawless fashion is quite correct.

BOX SCORE							
REPS	G	F	PTS	ALL STARS	G	F	PTS
Cain	1	0	2	Boote	5	1	11
Klepper	0	0	0	Taylor	0	0	0
Dunbar	0	0	0	Provost	0	0	0
Dunbar	0	0	0	Holochwost	2	0	4
Marack	0	2	2	Peterson	1	0	2
Wurl	1	0	2	Goldfaden	4	1	9
Giersch	3	0	6	Helfand	0	0	0
McDonald	9	1	19	Uhrinak	2	1	5
Barker	2	0	4	Sanchez	0	0	0
Blanchard	1	0	2	Bozek	5	2	12
				Resnick	1	0	2
TOTALS	17	3	37		20	5	45

ATHLETIC CLUB TICKET WINNERS

The Greenbelt Athletic Club's drive for funds to sponsor softball activities in Greenbelt this year, was brought to a close last Saturday, March 30, with the drawing for disposition of football and baseball tickets. The drawing was held between halves of the Reps-AllStar game, and the first prize of a season ticket to all the Redskins home games this year was won by Mr. C. Panzer, of Washington, D. C., who held Ticket number 2283.

The second to sixth prizes, a pair of tickets to the Washington Senators opening game were won by the following people:

- J.B. Brooks - Ticket #4109 - Washington, D.C.
- E. Mason - Ticket #2656 - Washington, D.C.
- C.E. Carter - Ticket #2692 - Washington, D.C.
- L.A. Hammette - Ticket #4774 - Washington, D.C.
- L. Phelps - Ticket #4820 - Washington, D.C.

The seventh to the sixteenth prize, which were single tickets to the Senators opening game, went to the following:

- J.P. Malito - Ticket #4601 - Washington, D.C.
- H. Schnapp - Ticket #3977 - Washington, D.C.
- V. Brown - Ticket # 612 - Washington, D.C.
- J. Messner - Ticket # 781 - Greenbelt, Md.
- R. Allen - Ticket #3066 - Washington, D.C.
- E. Snowberger - Ticket #2998 - Washington, D.C.
- C.P. Shaw - Ticket #2783 - Camp Springs, Md.
- V. Roddant - Ticket #3648 - Greenbelt, Md.
- H. Lind - Ticket #1652 - McLean, Virginia
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G. A. C. Volleyball League

Now that the basketball season has been brought to a close the members of the Athletic Club have turned their attention to volleyball. Friday night, March 29, the Cee Men, by defeating the Jaybirds and L.D.S., set a pace that should make them favorites to finish right up there at the top. Snob Hill defeated the Athletics but were set down by the Bears. L.D.S. defeated the Dumbells. Games scheduled for Friday, April 5th, are as follows:

7:30 Cubs vs Cee Men Snob Hill vs Dumbells
8:15 Bears vs Athletics Jaybirds vs L.D.S.
9:00 Cubs vs Snob Hill Cee Men vs Bears
9:45 Dumbells vs Jaybirds Athletics vs L.D.S.

All games will start promptly at time scheduled. Any member of the Athletic Club, who would like to play volleyball but has failed to signify his intention is urged to report at the Gym next Friday night. Let's go, boys! Let's put these volleyball games over with a bang.

School Basketball League

In an effort to complete the schedule of the second half of the School Basketball League, several games were played last week, and the deciding game was between Donald Freeman's team and Donald Brewers team. The Freeman's defeated the Brewers by the one sided score of 23 to 5 for the second half championship. Shoemaker and Henderson were outstanding for the victors, while Brewer and Neilsen were best for the losers.

TEAM	POS	G.	F.	PTS	TEAM	POS	G.	F.	PTS
FREEMAN'S	Henderson	F	3	0	BREWER'S	Fitzhugh	F	0	0
Freeman	Freeman	F	2	0	Neilsen	F	1	0	2
Pierson	C	2	1	5	Brewer	C	1	0	2
Bauer	G	1	0	2	Strickler	G	0	1	1
Shoemaker	G	3	0	6	Pfarr	G	0	0	0
Totals		11	1	23					5

In other games played, the Wolfe's defeated the Fitzhugh's team by the score of 20 - 8, and the Warner's team by the score of 9 - 4, and lost to the Freeman's by the close score of 14 - 10. Donald Freeman's team vanquished the Fitzhugh's while the Brewer's trounced the Palmer's by a 28 - 6 score.

On April 1, Donald Wolfe's team will play Donald Freeman's at 3:45 p.m. to decide the Champion of the first half. In a preliminary game at 3:15 the Palmer's will take the floor against the Warner's.

Gold and silver medals will be awarded the winning and losing teams of the League.

TEAM	POS	G.	F.	PTS	TEAM	POS	G.	F.	PTS	
WOLFE'S	Nelson	F	1	0	FITZHUGH'S	Coulter	F	2	1	5
McCarl	F	0	0	0	Fitzhugh,D.	F	0	0	0	
Hedges	C	5	0	10	Sommers	C	0	0	0	
Fox	G	2	0	4	Ward	G	1	0	2	
Wolfe	G	2	0	4	Fitch,C.	G	0	0	0	
Goodman	G	0	0	0		G	0	1	1	
Totals		10	0	20					8	

TEAM	POS	G.	F.	PTS	PALMER'S	TEAM	POS	G.	F.	PTS
Fitzhugh,F	0	0	0	0	Palmer	F	2	0	4	
Nielsen	F	0	0	0	Bishop	F	0	0	0	
Brewer	C	11	0	22	Coulter	C	0	0	0	
Pfarr	G	2	1	5	Fitch,H.	G	0	0	0	
Strickler	G	0	1	1	Fickes	G	1	0	2	
Reno	G	0	0	0					6	
Totals		13	2	28						

TEAM	WON	LOST	PFRC.
Donald Freeman's team	5	0	1.000
Donald Brewer's	3	2	.667
Donald Wolfe's	3	2	.667
Douglas Warner's	2	2	.500
Dick Palmer's	1	3	.200
Donald Fitzhugh's	0	5	.000

BOWLING LEAGUE COMPLETES SCHEDULE

The Greenbelt Duckpin Bowling League will wind up their league schedule for 1939-40 next Tuesday night at the University Alleys in College Park. On the following Tuesday the league will stage their second Annual Bowling Sweepstakes for all its members, and will ring down the curtain for the year on Saturday April 20, when the Annual Banquet will be held at the Calvert Inn. About 100 members are expected to attend, and all will agree that it has been a most enjoyable and successful season. All will be looking forward to the start of those 1940-41 get-togethers.

Two men of the Greenbelt Gun Club not mentioned in last week's Cooperator as approved range officers are: Harry Bates, president of the club, who is on duty every Saturday, and Clarence Wills, member, an alternate range officer for the present.

Attend the Hospital Dance Saturday night.

Murray Now Pitching

The Greenbelt Reps, (the originals) softball champions of Prince Georges County in 1939 and holders of decisions over most of the topflight teams in the Washington area, are moving up into the big time. They have submitted their entry to the fast Metro League along with teams such as Dr. Pepper, Maritime, Irish War Vets, Pepco, Carr Bros-Boswell and others, and it has been accepted.

Piloting them again this year, in an effort to repeat last year's success, will be Ben Goldfaden acting as captain, manager, coach and master mind. The schedule calls for a 14 game season to be played on Saturday afternoons at 3:00 P.M. Game sites will be alternated between the home diamond in Greenbelt, and the field at the rear of the Munitions Building on Constitution Avenue. The season race is to be divided in two halves, each team playing each opponent twice.

The opening game will be played in Washington on Saturday, April 13th, and the Reps will make their initial appearance on the following week-end. The League is to be run by Mike Sklar of Lowe-Campbell Sporting Goods, and D.C. Officials will be on hand calling the balls and strikes for each game.

The winner automatically qualifies for the district tournament, and the trophy winner of this plays in the National Softball Championships at Chicago.

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The feminine element of Greenbelt turned out in great numbers last year when the Reps staged their tussles. Now this column wishes to invite them to take an even more active part in the team's career. The chances are that the new athletic field will be in use for at least some of the games, and we are sure the powers that be could be persuaded to supply

flagpole—so all we need is a flag, a pennant, a banner—anything to fly at the top of it to proclaim to the world in general that the Reps are County Champs, 1939.

We will personally present to the donors a season pass to all games played.

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Ben Goldfaden announces tryouts for the team, Sunday, April 7, 1:00 P.M. All interested will be given consideration.

High School News

Starting the baseball season on schedule, the "fighting Grizzlies" entered their spring training in that sport on March 28. Since then, a total of 18 boys have come out for the baseball team of Greenbelt High. Several of the boys are hold-overs from last year's team and nearly all of them have played on some team before.

The following boys have reported for practice: Bill Alexander, "Burny" Underwood, Andy Freeman, Bill Sommers, J. L. Danner, "Mac" Alexander, Lynn Buck, Bill Underwood, Verne Swab, Edward Kaighn, Revere Nielson, James Sommers, Dickie Day, Julius Andrus, Roy Bell, Leroy Clark, Harold Estes, and Bob Porter.

According to the present tentative schedule, the team will play its first game on April 17. Uniforms will be issued on April 10.

The Senior Class of Greenbelt High School sponsored a dance in the Greenbelt Recreation Center last Wednesday, March 27. The dance proved to be a huge success with an attendance of close to 90 students.

Refreshments included cakes and punch, the cake being donated by the girls of the class while the boys contributed toward the making of the punch.

The sum of nine dollars was realized, which will go in the class treasury for the Senior Prom.

The Senior Class wishes to thank everyone that helped to make this dance a success.

High Girls Defeat Women, 11-10

The Greenbelt High School Girls played the women of Greenbelt a return game in basketball last Thursday night, and defeated them by the close score of 11 to 10. The women scored the first point of the game, but were then held scoreless while the girls amassed a total of 11 points in short order. The women then took command and kept the girls from scoring during the entire second half, and managed to score 9 more points.

This was the last basketball game of the season for the women and the girls. Women's Gym will begin at 7:30 this week instead of 6:30 P.M. There will be a new class formed in weight normalizing at 8:00 P.M. Some of the fairer sex are anxious to get in form for their new spring suits.

HIGH SCHOOL	POS.	PTS.	WOMEN	POS.	PTS.
Hedges	F.</				

OUR TOWN: LIBRARY



Librarian Reba Harris at work.

By Anne Hull

Although the Greenbelt Library has been in operation less than a year, it now has 1475 borrowers and has had an attendance of more than 23,000 since its doors opened last June.

A grant of \$3,000 from the Farm Security Administration, together with \$1,500 from the 1939 town budget, paid for library supplies, necessary shelving, and the initial order of 2,000 books. The cataloguing of the first order of books was done in Baltimore by WPA workers under the supervision of the Maryland Library Commission.

Present running expenses, upkeep, and new books are provided for in the town budget. All fines collected go into the general fund of the town, because the library is municipally owned and operated. All requisitions are subject to the approval of the Greenbelt Department of Adult Education and of the Town Council. Since the original order 408 books have been bought by town money. There was another contribution from Prince Georges County of 1544 elementary school books, some for reference work and others for reading.

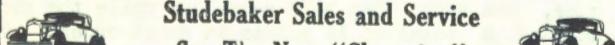
Reba Harris, librarian, is a graduate of Dickinson College. She received her library training at the Carnegie Institute of Technology. Miriam Worley, her assistant, was trained at the Dayton, Ohio, Public Library, and has had six years of library experience. Both of our librarians are kept very busy, as each class in the school of 350 pupils spends one period a week in the library and there is an average evening attendance of between 90 and 100 adults. There are books to catalogue, special displays to arrange, and an index of clippings and pamphlets to keep up to date, in addition to a Greenbelt scrap book, into which goes all material on our town which is printed in newspapers and magazines.

Another special feature which is constantly added to is the picture file, covering a multitude of subjects. The four file drawers take you from actors to chickens, from China to Hungary, from icebergs to portraits, and from poultry to Wyoming. Children are lured to displays of story books by amusing little figurines. An Indian boy, drawing an arrow, poses in front of "One Little Indian Boy". Two diminutive kangaroos stand together near a juvenile thriller entitled "The Kangaroo Twins". But the display attracting the most general attention, Mrs. Harris says, is that of the Camera Club, which posts monthly, in the library, the best pictures taken by its members.

The library subscribes to 76 magazines, ranging in type, from "Wee Wisdom" to "Forum", in order to accommodate the varying age groups of the clientele. Needless to say, there is an excellent selection of both adult and juvenile books, besides numerous reference works. Mrs. Harris has noted that Greenbelt women lean towards fiction, while the men prefer biography, travel, and history. Biography is the most generally popular class with both sexes. From June 10 to December 31, 1939, there was a total of 21,537 books borrowed, of which 5,933 were non-fiction; 773 of these were biographical works. The amount of fines taken in over this period was \$85.98.

The Library windows give a fine sweep of view over the recreation bowl and the trees beyond. It is one of the most pleasant outlooks in Greenbelt. Come up and see it for yourself sometime; and, better yet, get some library books to read.

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COMMITTEE SURVEYS NURSERY SCHOOL NEED

The Kindergarten Committee of the Citizens Association is making a survey to determine how many parents would be interested in a nursery school for their three and four year olds.

If enough parents are interested to the extent of as much as \$4 a month, further details will be worked out. The sessions would probably meet in the morning.

Lois Fulmer is canvassing A block; Mrs. Ralph Cross, B block; Margaret Miller, C block, and Dorothy East, D block. Lillian Schwartz and Dorothy Fleischer are covering E, F, and J blocks. They hope to complete the survey by April 7. Mrs. East reports that of 20 persons she interviewed, 16 were interested.

The Kindergarten Committee's first work was a survey in the spring of 1938 to see how many parents wanted a kindergarten. Experts in the field of child education who were consulted by the committee were Mary Dabney Davis, of the National Department of Education; Robert Neary of FSA, Edna McNaughten of the University of Maryland's Department of Education, and Mrs. John Heiny of the National Child Research Center. The committee wrote letters to kindergarten schools, and in addition interviewed applicants for the kindergarten teaching job, making special recommendations to Roy Braden.

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